

Lockard Elementary School



Newsletter

Hello, Valued Parents of Lockard Students!

As you all know, students are returning to campus on April 12th! We are excited to be able to educate them in-person! You may ask, "Why now? After learning virtually for the first three quarters of the year, why have students return in the fourth quarter?" First, Covid-risks are lower since the dissemination of the vaccine; so, the endeavor is safer. Also, we want to get students acclimated with campus and in-person learning expectations again so they will be most successful in the coming school year. Finally, we want to increase student achievement by providing in-person instruction, interventions, and support. A few notes you'll want to keep in mind:

- Instruction begins at 8:00 a.m. and occurs Monday through Thursday.
- Breakfast is from 7:20 a.m. to 7:50 a.m.
- Campus opens for student arrival at 7:15 a.m.
- Car dismissal is from 2:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.; bus and daycare dismissal begin at 2:30 p.m.
- Car riders may be dropped off at the gate on Augusta or the gate on Gresham Street.
- K-1 Car riders get picked-up on Augusta Street.
- 2nd-3rd Car riders get picked-up on Gresham Street.
- Adults picking-up a student will be required to show either the school issued car-rider tag or a photo ID before receiving the student.
- College Street will be closed for safety during school hours.
- Due to Covid-restrictions and safety precautions, visitors are not allowed on campus.
- Parents are welcome to speak with a teacher or administrator; parents must call to schedule a phone call or virtual appointment.
- Students are required to wear uniforms: khaki pants/shorts/skirt, navy tops, closed-toe shoes, and a belt.
- Students will need their own school supplies (pencils, crayons, scissors, glue, folder with brads, expo markers, container for supplies).
- Students must bring their district-issued devices to school charged each day.
- If a student is absent from class, please submit the excuse to the office within 2 days of the student's return.
- A student must be present 63% of the instructional day to be considered present.
- Alcohol, weapons, and illegal substances are not allowed on campus.

We look forward to continuing our wonderful collaboration with parents and the education process with children.

Kind regards,

Daphne Heflin

Linda Rule - Parent Liaison
Parent Center Hours - Monday-Friday 8:00AM-3:00PM



Daphne Heflin-Principal
Terrell Hayes - Assistant Principal

Library Life

April is School Library Month, and boy are we going to celebrate it! Since all students will be returning in April, all students should be able to participate in library class.

- First, when students return, they will receive a new, free **RIF** book and a bookmark. Be sure to ask them about it and spend some time reading together.
- Next, students will continue to have great access to our full digital library in Canvas (**Lockard Little Library, Epic, JLG, and MackinVIA**) as well as our print collection. We will not check out books at this time, but students will still be able to use the collection in a limited amount.
- Last, we had a few visitors on camps this past month. The Cat in the Hat and a few of his things came for a visit, and then the Easter Bunny visited us.
- Hope you had a blessed Easter.

Happy, happy reading.



Mrs. Burket



Music Room

Students have been focusing on learning to read and play rhythm. They also have learned about several holidays through music. They are learning to site read with solfa..



C.Ray, Music Teacher

March Student
of the Month

Adonijah Johnson

March Parent
of the Month

Alexis Johnson

March Teacher
of the Month

Frances Winford

April Calendar 2021

- Math Biweekly-4/1/21
- Good Friday-4/2/21
- Holy Monday-4/5/21
- Parent Reports-3/5-9/21
- ELA Biweekly-4/8/21
- Work Shop/Test Taking-4/13/21
- Nine Weeks Assessments-4/12-16/21
- Math Biweekly-4/15/21
- ELA Biweekly-4/22/21
- Math Biweekly-4/29/21

Mason's Memo

Learning While We Play

April usually give us some of my favorite weather, bright sunshine but not too hot and humid. This means it's a great month to focus on playing! Playing is a great way for children to learn basic social skills needed to be successful students, especially cooperation. While, playing video games does help children in some areas, I am talking more about puzzles, board games, Lego's, chase, kick ball, basketball and just playing to have fun.

A few benefits of play include:

- * Play helps children to better express thoughts, problem-solve as a team, and work with others.
- * Play helps children's physical, emotional, social and cognitive skills all improve.
- * Play helps to improve self-esteem of children.
- * Play helps children learn to win and lose gracefully.

So spend some time having fun and playing with your children. It is one of the easiest ways some very important life lessons.

